

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Vinayak D. Bhat

Application No. 10/777,444

Filed: 02/11/2004

For: PROCESS FOR AGENT RETENTION IN  
BIOLOGICAL TISSUES

Examiner: Azpuru, Carlos A.

Art Unit: 1615

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In connection with the filing a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114 and in response to the final Office Action mailed July 10, 2006, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments.